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20. — *The Southern Rebellion and the War for the Union. A History of the Rise and Progress of the Rebellion and Consecutive Narrative of Events and Incidents, from the first Stages of the Treason against the Republic down to the Close of the Conflict, together with important Documents, Extracts from remarkable Speeches, &c. &c.* Nos. 1 – 3. New York: James D. Torrey. 1861. Weekly. 8vo. pp. 1 – 96.

THIS publication promises to be of the highest historical value. It commences with a succinct narrative of former conspiracies. Its history of the present rebellion is calm and unimpassioned, statistical and circumstantial, enriched with the leading documents which illustrate its inception and progress, and manifestly adapted to diffuse just sentiments, not by inflammatory appeals, but by the presentation of facts, acknowledged motives, and avowed purposes. Such a work, continued till the sad conflict shall terminate, will be of permanent authority, and will furnish the future historiographer of this critical period with materials, which, if not gathered now, might, in a few years, be gleaned but partially and with difficulty from files of newspapers, or from doubtful memory and exaggerated tradition.

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21. — *The Soldier's Pocket-Bible. An Exact Reprint of the Original Edition of* 1643. With a Prefatory Note. By GEORGE LIVERMORE. Cambridge. 1861. pp. viii., 16.

THIS reprint is a fac-simile of a tract published for the use of the Puritan army shortly after the commencement of the civil war in England. Mr. Livermore believes it to have been the Bible, a copy of which was furnished to every soldier in Cromwell's army, and in his Prefatory Note he states satisfactory — we think conclusive — reasons for this belief. Only two copies of the original are known to be in existence. It consists of the texts of Scripture bearing on a soldier's life and duty, arranged under appropriate captions. It is an able and ingenious compilation, interesting for the skill which it displays, curious as an historical document, and memorable for the inspiration which it must have given to men who fought in the assurance that they were instruments in the hands of Providence for the establishment of the word of God and the reign of his saints. Mr. Livermore merits our hearty thanks for his generous care in rescuing this rare antique from oblivion. We quote the original title-page: —

"THE SOULDIERS Pocket Bible:

"Containing the most (if not all) those places contained in holy Scripture, which doe shew the qualifications of his inner man, that is a fit